

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS

for the

HOME Investment Partnerships Program Tenant Based Rental Assistance

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PART 1 SCOPE OF THIS REQUEST

1. PURPOSE OF THIS REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS ("RFQ")

The Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority is seeking to select non-profit organizations to participate in the HOME Investment Partnerships Program ("HOME") Tenant-Based Rental Assistance ("TBRA") program, which provides rental assistance for individuals having a household income at or below 60% of Area Median Income ("AMI") and 1.) are exiting the corrections system and at risk of homelessness due to a lack of stable housing, or 2.) are formerly incarcerated and currently experiencing homelessness, or 3.) are formerly incarcerated and currently experiencing a housing crisis where enrollment in the HOME TBRA program would prevent an eviction. Individuals meeting the first or second criteria will receive preference for the program.

2. ABOUT THE INDIANA HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

VISION

IHCDA envisions an Indiana with a sustainable quality of life for all Hoosiers in the community of their choice.

MISSION

The Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority's ("IHCDA") mission is to provide housing opportunities, promote self-sufficiency, and strengthen communities.

OVERVIEW (for more information visit http://www.in.gov/ihcda/)

IHCDA was created in 1978 by the Indiana General Assembly and is a quasi-public financially self-sufficient statewide government agency. IHCDA's programs are successful in large part because of the growing network of partnerships IHCDA has established with local, state, and federal governments, for-profit businesses and not-for-profit organizations. For-profit partners include, but are not limited to, investment banks, mortgage lenders, commercial banks, corporate investment managers and syndicators, apartment developers, investors, homebuilders, and realtors. Not-for-profit partners include, but are not limited to, community development corporations, community action agencies, and not-for-profit developers.

3. BACKGROUND

IHCDA administers the HOME Investment Partnerships Program Tenant-Based Rental Assistance program (the "Program"), pursuant to 24 CFR 92.209. The Program provides tenant-based rental assistance and security deposit payments to low-income households. In accordance with 24 CFR 92.209(c)(2), IHCDA may establish preferences related to who will receive assistance through the Program. IHCDA has determined that eligible participants must be formerly incarcerated individuals that meet HOME income requirements. Formerly Incarcerated Individuals is defined as 1) individuals exiting the corrections system and at risk of homelessness due to a lack of stable housing; 2) individuals currently experiencing homelessness who were formerly incarcerated; or 3.) formerly incarcerated and currently experiencing a housing crisis where enrollment in the HOME TBRA program would prevent an eviction. Individuals meeting the first or second criteria will receive preference for the program.

4. SCOPE OF SERVICES

The Respondent may request a grant in an amount no less than \$100,000 but not to exceed \$300,000 to provide tenant-based rental assistance and assistance with security deposits to Formerly Incarcerated Individuals having a household income at or below 60% of AMI. If Respondent is selected pursuant

to this RFQ, it may receive an award for an amount lower than the total amount that is requested by the Respondent, however the award amount will not be less than \$100,000. The total amount of available funding is \$1,200,000 plus any de-allocated or unspent funds from previous awards. The Award term/period of performance shall not exceed two years from the effective date of the HOME TBRA award agreement and all funds must be expended within the two-year period.

A full list of policies and procedures for the Program can be found in the HOME Investment Partnerships Program Tenant Based Rental Assistance <u>Administration Manual</u>, as amended from time to time. As described in the Administration Manual, eligible costs include:

- Rental Assistance
- Utility Deposit Assistance
- Security Deposits, in accordance with 24 CFR 92.209 (i)
- Administrative Costs, not to exceed 10% of the overall grant amount.

Overview of Other Significant Responsibilities: (A more comprehensive description of responsibilities can be found in the <u>HOME Investment Partnerships Program Tenant Based Rental Assistance</u> Administration Manual, as amended from time to time.):

- Recertifying incomes of tenants receiving TBRA at least annually, using source documentation approved by IHCDA.
- Entering into a Rental Assistance Payment Contract with Landlord.
- Entering into a Rental Assistance Payment Contract with Tenant.
- Ensuring that each tenant has a lease that complies with the requirements in 24 CFR 92.253 (a).
- Ensuring that the Landlord and Tenant execute a Tenant-Based Rental Assistance Program Lease Addendum, in order to comply with 24 CFR 253(b) (HUD Prohibited Provisions) and 24 CFR 92.359(e) (VAWA).
- Ensuring rent is reasonable based on rents that are charged for comparable un-assisted rental units.
- Ensuring that any housing receiving HOME TBRA meets the requirements set forth in 24 CFR 982.401 and ensuring it is inspected initially and annually.
- Ensuring that the notice of occupancy rights under VAWA which is set forth in Form HUD 5380 and the certification form set forth in Form HUD 5382 is provided to individuals at the following times:
 - O At the time an applicant is denied rental assistance;
 - At the time an applicant is approved for rental assistance;
 - o At the time you learn that a tenant's Landlord intends to provide tenant a notice of eviction; and
 - At the time a tenant's rental assistance is being terminated.

- Selecting tenants/participants in accordance with a written participant selection policy that has been approved by IHCDA. The participant selection policy must clearly specify how households will be selected for participation in their programs.
- Ensuring Compliance with Lead-Based Paint Requirements

Selected respondents will receive additional information on how to submit claims for reimbursement, conduct Housing Quality Standards inspections, and reporting requirements for the Program. By responding to the Request for Qualifications, respondents certify that they will review Program's Administration Manual, governing CFR, and other applicable guidance as distributed by IHCDA in a complete and timely manner.

5. RFQ TENTATIVE TIMELINE

July 19, 2021	RFQ released to the general public	
July 26, 2021	Informational webinar at 2:00 p.m. Eastern Time https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/7821931633927856908	
August 16, 2021	Responses due to IHCDA by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time	
September 23, 2021	Announcement of selected Respondents at IHCDA Board of Directors Meeting	
Ongoing	Ongoing meetings with selected respondent for technical assistance. If Respondent is selected pursuant to this RFQ it will be required to attend an initial one-on-one virtual meeting with IHCDA staff after the Board approves the award and prior to it expending any program funds.	

RFQ PROCESS

1. SELECTION PROCESS

Evaluation of all qualifications will be completed by a selection committee consisting of staff from IHCDA. Respondent must be responsive and responsible as described in Sections 2 and 3 below. Selection is at the sole discretion of the selection committee. Award recommendations will be taken to the September 23, 2021 IHCDA Board of Directors meeting for final approval.

2. MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

Complete Compliant Proposal

Respondent must submit a complete proposal/response which addresses all applicable questions enumerated in Section 4 and includes the submission and receipt by IHCDA of all items enumerated in Section 6 of this Request for Qualifications.

Not-for-Profit Status

Respondent must be a nonprofit corporation recognized as tax exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or a public housing agency, or a unit of local government.

Financial Capacity

Respondent must demonstrate financial capacity to administer the program through the complete submission of 2020 financial statements and 2021 year-to-date balance sheet, income statements, and cash flow statements.

Commitment

Respondent must agree to commit to attending all future meetings and trainings, must enter into a Memorandum of Understanding outlining these terms, and must have its final participant selection plans approved by IHCDA, if selected.

3. RESPONSIBLE RESPONDENT REQUIREMENTS

IHCDA shall not award any contract until the selected respondent, has been determined to be responsible. A responsible respondent must:

- 1. Have adequate financial resources to perform the project, or the ability to obtain them;
- 2. Be able to comply with the required or proposed delivery or performance schedule, taking into consideration all the Respondent's existing commercial and governmental business commitments;
- 3. Have a satisfactory performance record with IHCDA;
- 4. Have a satisfactory record of integrity and business ethics;
- 5. Have the necessary organization, experience, accounting and operational controls, and technical skills, or the ability to obtain them;
- 6. Have the necessary production, construction, and technical equipment and facilities, or the ability to obtain them;
- 7. Have supplied all requested information;
- 8. Be legally qualified to contract in the State of Indiana. If it is an entity described in IC Title 23, must be registered, and owe no outstanding reports to the Indiana Secretary of State (There is a fee to register with the Secretary of State); and
- 9. Be otherwise qualified and eligible to receive an award under applicable laws and regulations, including not be suspended or debarred. If a prospective contractor is found to be non-responsible,

a written determination of non-responsibility shall be prepared and included in the official file for this RFQ, and the respondent shall be advised of the reasons for the determination.

4. QUALIFICATIONS EVALUATION CRITERIA

Respondent may not submit more than one response to this RFQ. However, this does not limit a Respondent's role in being a sub-recipient in one or more proposed projects. Partner organizations who are sub-recipients may also be attached to multiple proposed projects.

The following will be the primary considerations in the selection process:

- 1. <u>Satisfaction of Threshold Criteria</u>: Respondent must meet each requirement enumerated in Part 2 Section 2 "Minimum Requirements" and Part 2 Section 3 "Responsible Respondent Requirements" to receive continued consideration in the selection process.
- 2. <u>Experience of Respondent and Partners</u>: Respondent must submit a narrative describing the relevant experience of the Respondent (lead applicant) and how each additional program partner (subgrantee or other program partners) will contribute to the Program. The narrative cannot exceed 3 pages and should include the following information:
 - a. Summary of experience administering rental assistance programs.
 - b. Summary of experience providing and/or collaborating with service providers to provide supportive services.
 - c. Summary of experience working on issues concerning homelessness.
 - d. Summary of experience working with formerly incarcerated individuals.
 - If no experience with homelessness or formerly incarcerated individuals, provide a summary of experience working with other vulnerable populations.
 - e. Summary of qualifications and expected contributions of each additional program partner. Include examples of past collaboration between program partners and the lead applicant.
- 3. <u>Readiness to Proceed</u>: Respondent must submit 1 narrative demonstrating readiness to proceed. The narrative cannot exceed 3 pages and must include the following information:
 - a. <u>Provide justification of the need for this program in the proposed coverage area</u>. This narrative should include data from multiple sources to support for the proposal and provide evidence that the funding request meets the need of the target population.
 - b. <u>Describe the proposed pipeline for identifying program participants for the Program.</u>

 Describe your overall strategy and the role of each partner in the participant selection process. For current TBRA recipients, provide the number of households currently on the waitlist for your program.
 - c. <u>Describe the proposed strategy for engaging program partners</u>. Describe how you will identify, engage, and maintain relationships with community partners to provide additional tenant support.
 - d. <u>Describe the proposed pipeline for identifying and recruiting landlords</u>. Describe your overall strategy and steps that will be taken to recruit, engage, and retain landlords. For current TBRA recipients, include the total number of landlords who have participated in the program.
- 4. <u>Program Description</u>: Submit a narrative describing the overall scope of the Program. Narrative cannot exceed 3 pages and must include the following information:
 - a. Geographic location(s) to be targeted by county.
 - b. Number and structure of staff involved.
 - c. Proposed participant selection plan (Refer to the <u>program manual</u>).

- d. Plan for improvement and client feedback. For current TBRA recipients, include details on steps previously taken to improve the program and client feedback incorporated into your administration of the program.
- e. Proposed program timeline, including anticipated start and end date.
- 5. <u>Service Delivery</u>: Respondent must submit a narrative describing how supportive services will be delivered. Narrative cannot exceed 3 pages and must include the following information:
 - a. Strategy for identifying and building relationships with partners who can meet the needs of the target population.
 - b. Identification and description of services. Clearly identify each partner and describe the type of services each will offer.
 - c. Description of how services provided fit the population served.
- 6. <u>Description of Key Staff</u>: Please identify key staff who will run the Program. For each lead person, provide a current resume and a brief narrative (no more than 1 page each) describing why this person was selected for the role. Provide a current organizational chart.
- 7. <u>Budget</u>: Complete the HOME TBRA <u>Budget Template</u> describing a tentative budget for the project.
 - a. If additional sources of funding will be used to provide supportive services or rental assistance, please attach a narrative describing the funding source, the anticipated amount of funding from that source, and the eligible activities to be paid with the funding source.
- 8. Past Award Performance: Past award performance, including history of complying with federal, state and local guidelines, meeting benchmarks and quality of work performed and services provided will be considered. Any entity currently suspended or debarred by or in default with IHCDA will be disqualified. Applicants are not required to submit documentation to attest to past award performance. IHCDA will review documentation submitted from previous awards to evaluate Respondent's past award performance, if applicable.

5. APPLICATION SCORING CRITERIA

Evaluation of all qualifications will be completed by a selection committee consisting of staff from IHCDA. All selection is at the sole discretion of the selection committee.

Applications will be scored according to the points system described in this section. Up to 100 points is available to all applicants. Applications for which the lead applicant has previously been the sub-recipient of a HOME TBRA will be evaluated against the category of "Past Award Performance" for 10 additional points. All applications will be ranked by the percentage of points received out of those available given their designation as new or previous award recipient. Applications which fail the threshold review will not be scored.

Threshold Criteria:

- Not-for-Profit Status (not for profit corporation, housing authority or local unit of government)
- Financial capacity to administer the program, including the provision of required documentation
- Complete compliant proposal addressing all items listed in Part 2 Section 2 & 3

Scored Criteria:

1. Overall Experience of Respondent and Partners (25 points)

Respondent's Experience:

- a. Experience administering rental assistance
- b. Experience providing and/or collaborating to provide supportive services
- c. Experience addressing homelessness

d. Experience working with formerly incarcerated individuals

If the Respondent has no experience addressing homelessness or working with formerly incarcerated individuals, please describe instead your experience working with other vulnerable populations.

Partners' Experience:

- e. Qualifications and expected contributions of each additional partner
- 2. Readiness to Proceed (20 points)
 - a. Justification of need (5 points)
 - b. Participant identification plan (5 points)
 - c. Partner engagement plan (5 points)
 - d. Landlord identification/recruitment plan (5 points)
- 3. Program Description (20 points)
 - a. Target geographic location
 - b. Staffing plan
 - c. Participant Selection Plan
 - d. Strategies for obtaining client feedback and improving program over time
 - e. Program timeline
- 4. Service Delivery Plan (20 points)
 - a. Strategy for service provider engagement
 - b. Identification and description of services
 - c. Fit of services to the target population
- 5. Description of Key Staff (5 points)
 - a. Key staff identification, resumes, and brief narrative
 - b. Organizational chart
- 6. Budget (10 points)
 - a. Complete HOME TBRA Program Budget Form
- 7. Past Award Performance (10 points) (Past TBRA sub-recipients only)
 - a. History of meeting benchmarks and providing timely and quality reports
 - b. Quality of work performed and services provided
 - c. Full expenditure of funds

6. RFQ SUBMISSION ITEMS

Respondent must submit documentation in response to the requirements listed in each category heading summarized below. Each of these requirements are described more fully in <u>Sections 2 and 4 of Part 2 of this RFQ and are summarized in Section 5</u>. Therefore, Respondent must review <u>Sections 2 and 4 of Part 2 of this RFQ</u> very carefully before submitting its responses. The Respondent must also submit the Qualifications Coversheet and the Certification of Company located at the end of this RFQ Document.

Checklist of Submission Requirements

• Qualifications Coversheet. Qualifications Coversheet (required template included in this RFQ packet).

- <u>Certification of Company</u>. Certification of Company (required template included in this RFQ packet).
- Not for Profit Status. Verification of 501(c)(3) status, if applicable.
- Financial Capacity. Financials for the lead applicant.
- Narratives addressing all applicable questions for the following sections:
 - o Experience of Respondent and Partners.
 - o Readiness to Proceed.
 - o Program description.
 - o Service Delivery.
- <u>Description of Key Staff</u>. Key program staff identification, resumes, narratives, and organizational chart.
- <u>Budget</u>. A tentative budget using the HOME TBRA Budget Template.

7. FORMAT FOR SUBMISSION, MAILING INSTRUCTIONS, AND DUE DATE

Responses must be submitted via email. All documents must be submitted as a PDF.

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The deadline for submission is August 16, 2021 at 5:00 PM Eastern Time. Applications that do not contain all required forms/documents as listed in this RFQ may be determined ineligible for further consideration.

PART 3 TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. STATE POLICIES

- A. <u>ETHICAL COMPLIANCE</u>: By submitting a proposal, the respondent certifies that it shall abide by all ethical requirements that apply to persons who have a business relationship with the State, as set forth in Indiana Code § 4-2-6 et seq., Ind. Code § 4-2-7, et seq., the regulations promulgated thereunder, and Executive Order 04-08, dated April 27, 2004. Respondent will be required to attend online ethics training conducted by the State of Indiana.
- B. <u>EMPLOYMENT ELIGIBILITY VERIFICATION</u>. The Respondent cannot knowingly employ an unauthorized alien. The Respondent shall require its contractors who perform work for the Respondent pursuant to the project must certify to the Respondent that the contractor does not knowingly employ or contract with an unauthorized alien.
- C. <u>PAYMENTS</u>: Any payments for services under any contract awarded pursuant to this RFQ shall be paid by IHCDA in arrears in conformance with State fiscal policies and procedures and, as required by IC §4-13-2-14.8, the direct deposit by electronic funds transfer to the financial institution designated by the successful respondent in writing unless a specific waiver has been obtained from the IHCDA Controller. No payments will be made in advance of receipt of the goods or services that are the subject of any contract except as permitted by IC §4-13-2-20.
- D. <u>CONFIDENTIALITY OF STATE INFORMATION</u>. The Respondent understands and agrees that data, materials, and information disclosed to the Respondent may contain confidential and protected information. The Respondent covenants that data, material, and information gathered, based upon or disclosed to the Respondent for the purpose of this project will not be disclosed to or discussed with third parties without the prior written consent of the IHCDA. In addition to the covenant made above in this section and pursuant to 10 IAC 5-3-1(4), the Respondent and IHCDA agree to comply with the provisions of IC §4-1-10 and IC §4-1-11. If any Social Security number(s) is/are disclosed by Respondent, Respondent agrees to pay the cost of the notice of disclosure of a breach of the security of the system in addition to any other claims and expenses for which it is liable under the terms of this contract.
- E. ACCESS TO PUBLIC RECORDS: Respondents are advised that materials contained in proposals are subject to the Access to Public Records Act ("APRA"), IC 5-14-3 et. seq., and the entire response may be viewed and copied by any member of the public. Respondents claiming a statutory exemption to disclosure under APRA must place all confidential documents (including the requisite number of copies) in a sealed envelope marked "Confidential". Respondents should be aware that if a public records request is made under APRA, IHCDA will make an independent determination of confidentiality, and may seek the opinion of the Public Access Counselor. Prices are not considered confidential information. The following information shall be subject to public inspection after the contract award:
 - A. The RFO.
 - **B.** A list of all vendors who received the RFQ.
 - **C.** The name and address of each respondent.
 - **D.** The amount of each offer.
 - **E.** A record showing the following:
 - a. The name of the successful respondent.
 - b. The dollar amount of the offer.
 - c. The basis on which the award was made.
 - **F.** The entire contents of the contract file except for proprietary information that may have been included with an offer, such as:

- a. trade secrets;
- b. manufacturing processes;
- c. financial information not otherwise publicly available; or
- d. other data that does not bear on the competitive goals of public procurement that was not required by the terms of the RFQ itself to be made available for public inspection.
- F. <u>Taxes</u>, <u>Fees and Penalties</u>: By submitting a proposal respondent certifies that neither it nor its principal(s) is presently in arrears in payment of its taxes, permit fees or other statutory, regulatory or judicially required payments to the State of Indiana or the United States Treasury. Respondent further warrants that it has no current, pending or outstanding criminal, civil, or enforcement actions initiated by either the State or Federal Government pending against it, and agrees that it will immediately notify IHCDA of any such actions.
- G. <u>CONFLICT OF INTEREST</u>: Respondent must disclose any existing or potential conflict of interest relative to the performance of the services resulting from this RFQ, including any relationship that might be perceived or represented as a conflict. By submitting a proposal in response to this RFQ, respondent affirms that it has not given, nor intends to give at any time hereafter, any economic opportunity, future employment, gift, loan, gratuity, special discount, trip, favor, or service to a public servant or any employee or representative of same, in connection with this procurement. Any attempt to intentionally or unintentionally conceal or obfuscate a conflict of interest will automatically result in the disqualification of the respondent's proposal or immediate termination of an awardee's contract. An award will not be made where an actual conflict of interest exists. IHCDA will determine whether a conflict of interest exists and whether an apparent conflict of interest may reflect negatively on IHCDA, should IHCDA select respondent. Further, IHCDA reserves the right to disqualify any respondent on the grounds of actual or apparent conflict of interest. The decision of the Compliance Attorney is final.
- H. <u>APPEALS/PROTEST</u>: Respondent may appeal/protest the award of this contract based on alleged violations of the selection process that resulted in discrimination or unfair consideration. The appeal/protest must include the stated reasons for the Respondent's objection to the funding decision, which reasons must be based solely upon evidence supporting one (1) of the following circumstances:
 - Clear and substantial error or misstated facts which were relied on in making the decision being challenged;
 - b. Unfair competition or conflict of interest in the decision-making process;
 - c. An illegal, unethical or improper act; or
 - d. Other legal basis that may substantially alter the decision.

The appeal/protest must be received within ten (10) business days after the Respondent receives notice of the contract award, or the appeal/protest will not be considered. All protests shall be in writing, submitted to the Compliance Officer, who shall issue a written decision on the matter. The Compliance Officer may, at his/her discretion, suspend the procurement pending resolution of the protest if the facts presented so warrant. The Respondent will receive written acknowledgement of receipt of the appeal/protest within five (5) business days of its receipt, noting the day the appeal/protest was received. Any appeal/protest regarding the funding decision made by IHCDA will be examined and acted upon by the Compliance Officer within thirty (30) days of its receipt.

2. FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS

Respondent agrees to comply with the following concepts reflected in the federal regulations listed below:

- a. 24 CFR 92.209, Tenant-based rental assistance: Eligible costs and requirements.
- b. 24 CFR 982.401, Housing quality standards (HQS).
- c. 24 CFR 5.609 and 24 CFR 5.611(a), Income calculations.
- d. 24 CFR 92.253 (a) and (b), Tenant protections (Lease and Prohibited Lease Provisions)
- e. EO 13166, signed on August 11, 2000, directs all federal agencies, including the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), to work to ensure that programs receiving federal financial assistance provide meaningful access to Limited English Proficient ("LEP") persons.
- f. The Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) requirements as modified by 24 CFR 92.359 (b) and (c).
- g. The Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. 4821–4846), the Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act of 1992 (42 U.S.C. 4851–4856), and implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 35, subparts A, B, H, J, K, M, and R apply to activities undertaken using PSH Funds. Lead-based paint requirements apply to dwelling units built prior to 1978 that are occupied or can be occupied by families with children under six years of age, excluding zero bedroom dwellings.
- h. 31 U.S.C. 1352, Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment.
- i. Applicable Portions of 2 CFR 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principle and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, which includes but is not limited to the following requirements:
 - i. 2 CFR 200.501, Audit requirements.
 - ii. 2 CFR 200.113, Mandatory Disclosures.
 - iii. 2 CFR, 200.62, Internal Controls.
 - iv. 2 CFR, 200.318, General Procurement Standards and Conflict of Interests.
 - v. Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006 or Transparency Act—Public Law 109-282, as amended by section 6202(a) of Public Law 110-252 (31 U.S.C. 6101), which includes requirements on executive compensation, and also requirements implementing the Act for the non-Federal entity at 2 CFR part 25 Financial Assistance Use of Universal Identifier and System for Award Management and 2 CFR part 170 Reporting Sub-award and Executive Compensation Information.
- j. 24 CFR 92.253 (a) and (b), Tenant protections (Lease and Prohibited Lease Provisions)

3. RFQ TERMS AND CONDITIONS

This request is issued subject to the following terms and conditions:

- A. This RFQ is a request for the submission of qualifications, but is not itself an offer and shall under no circumstances be construed as an offer.
- B. IHCDA expressly reserves the right to modify or withdraw this request at any time, whether before or after any qualifications have been submitted or received.
- C. IHCDA reserves the right to reject and not consider any or all respondents that do not meet the requirements of this RFQ, including but not limited to: incomplete qualifications and/or qualifications or offering alternate or non-requested services.
- D. IHCDA reserves the right to reject any or all companies, to waive any informality in the RFQ process, or to terminate the RFQ process at any time, if deemed to be in its best interest.
- E. In the event the party selected does not enter into the required agreement to carry out the purposes described in this request, IHCDA may, in addition to any other rights or remedies available at law or in equity, commence negotiations with another person or entity.
- F. In no event shall any obligations of any kind be enforceable against IHCDA unless and until a written agreement is entered into.
- G. The Respondent agrees to bear all costs and expenses of its response and there shall be no reimbursement for any costs and expenses relating to the preparation of responses of qualifications submitted hereunder or for any costs or expenses incurred during negotiations.

- H. By submitting a response to this request, the Respondent waives all rights to protest or seek any remedies whatsoever regarding any aspect of this request, the selection of another respondent or respondents with whom to negotiate, the rejection of any or all offers to negotiate, or a decision to terminate negotiations.
- I. IHCDA reserves the right not to award a contract pursuant to the RFQ.
- J. All items become the property of IHCDA upon submission and will not be returned to the Respondent.
- K. IHCDA reserves the right to split the award between multiple applicants and make the award on a category by category basis and/or remove categories from the award.
- L. The Respondent certifies that neither it nor its principals, contractors, or agents are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from utilizing federal funds by any federal or state department or agency.
- M. If the Respondent is selected pursuant to this RFQ it will be required to enter into IHCDA's grant agreement for the HOME TBRA Program. Respondent acknowledges the acceptance of the grant agreement for the HOME TBRA Program and understands that the boilerplate is non-negotiable.

4. QUALIFICATIONS COVER SHEET

Name of Individual, Firm or Business:		
Address:		
Phone Number: Fax Number: Web Site Address:		
QUALIFICATION Contact Person:		
Title: Email Address: Phone:		
Contract Signatory Authority:		

INDIANA HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

5. CERTIFICATION OF RESPONDENT

and may be viewed a acknowledge that I ha	as an accurate representation of proposed s	ations and any attachments is true and correct services to be provided by this organization. I and provisions of the RFQ and agree to abide
I	am the	of the (type name
Respondent herein,		of the (type name or other entity named as company and the and submit it to the Indiana Housing and ion.
the executive, legislati willfully: (1) falsifies, false, fictitious, or frau	ive, or judicial branch of the Government of conceals, or covers up by any trick, scheme, or dulent statement or representation; or (3) makes materially false, fictitious, or fraudulent stater	her things, in any matter within the jurisdiction of the United States, anyone who knowingly and or device a material fact; (2) makes any materially es or uses any false writing or document knowing ment or entry; shall be fined under this title, and/or
Respondent:		
Signed:		
Name:		
Title:		
Date:		
Firm name:		